# TGEI Meeting Minutes July 16, 2004

### Attendees

Tom Chester, Chair Susan Cowden, Vice Chair Joe Swinford Lynn Goodman Brenda White Buddy Lea Gabrielle Chapman Glenda Shearon

#### <u>Absent</u>

Joe Werner Reagan Farr Roland Colson Alvin Pearson Barbara Charlet Chuck Pitt

#### Minutes

The committee voted to approve the minutes for May 14, 2004 and June 18, 2004. It was noted that since Reagan Farr was promoted to Deputy Commissioner of Revenue, his busy schedule has prevented him from attending the last few meetings. Susan Cowden volunteered to continue to take the meeting minutes in Reagan's absence.

#### **Committee Reports**

#### Newsletter

Susan Cowden reported that the first two newsletters have been published on schedule for March and June. The next edition is scheduled for September. The committee voted Gabrielle Chapman as the spotlight for the next edition.

#### Web Page

Barbara Charlet was unavailable to provide an update. However, it was noted that the TGEI mailing group established on the website is experiencing problems. Several of the members did not receive the notice about the Sounds game. Lynn Goodman reported that they were working towards a GroupWise TGEI public group. This will be maintained for

those that are still in state government. However, outside alumni will need to be sure to keep their information current by visiting the DOP website and updating information.

## Personnel Update

The TGEI Class of 2004 has been selected and published in the recent Newsletter. TRICOR will have a catalogue available to order TGEI memorabilia. These items will be showcased at the Fall Conference.

### Endowment

Lynn Goodman reported that a brochure has been developed for the TGEI Endowment. She distributed copies to the group. Additional discussion included plans for an after hours event following the Fall Conference to benefit the Endowment. Susan Cowden will work on facilities and Joe Swinford will organize Endowment leaders to attend and kick off the event. More information will be reported at the next meeting.

## Fall Conference

Regular meetings are being held with the Committee and the event is on track for October 26th. Speakers are being confirmed and will include several of the cabinet members to be announced at a later date.

#### Holiday Breakfast

Regular meetings are being conducted and the breakfast is on schedule for December 10<sup>th</sup> at Ellington Agricultural Center.

## New Business

It was proposed that this year's TGEI class be asked to elect an alternate to serve on the Steering Committee for 2005 in case the elected representatives are unable to continue to serve. No vote was taken and discussion on this issue will resume at next months meeting.

The next meeting will be held on August 13, 2004 at 11:30 in the Sumner Room of the Tennessee Tower.